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Mr. Mothey Narayana Rao and the President of the Conference and agreed to the request of somebody else? Will the hon. Member be pleased to throw some light on this information?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—"This information is just now given to me by the hon. Member opposite."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar:—"The information is already in the question in clauses (*d*) and (*e*)."

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—"I have already fully answered clauses (*d*) and (*e*)."

The hon. the President:—"The hon. Member will have to satisfy himself with the answer given."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar:—"The answer given is that somebody else asked the Sub-Magistrate to intervene and he asked him what had to be done in the matter. My complaint is that the Sub-Magistrate did not ask the proper person as to what had to be done in the matter."

The hon. the President:—"The hon. Member on behalf of the Government says that the answer has already been given. So, the hon. Member, Mr. Adinarayana Chettiyar, will have to be satisfied whether the answer is good, bad or indifferent."

Cases conducted before the Subdivisional Magistrate of Nandyal.

*776 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: With reference to the reply to the supplementary question to question No. 324 regarding cases conducted before the Subdivisional Magistrate of Nandyal, answered on 27th August 1927, that he will call for information, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to call for it and place it on the table of the House?

A.—The information is placed on the table.[a]

Irrigation

Repairs to the supply channel to the Markapur tank.

*777 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: With reference to the reply to my question No. 336 answered on 27th August 1927 regarding repairs to the supply channel to the Markapur tank, will the hon. the Law Member be now pleased to call for the information and place the same on the table of the House?

A.—The Chief Engineer's report dated 15th October 1927 is laid on the table.[b]

Q 778.—Please see page 351 infra.

Preparation of estimate for the reconstruction of Thorrigedda sluice in East Godavari.

*779 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any estimate is prepared for the reconstruction of Thorrigedda sluice in East Godavari; and

(*b*) if not, whether the Government propose to prepare one at an early date?

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[a] Printed as Appendix V on page 397 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix V-A on pages 397–398 infra.

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A.—The Chief Engineer has been asked to re-examine the Thorrigedda scheme, and his report is awaited.

Mr. K. V. R. Swami :—"May I know from the hon. the Law Member for how long he has been awaiting the report?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"I must ask for notice."

Necessity of utilizing the waters of the Kistna for extension of irrigation in the upland taluks.

*780 Q.—Mr. Sami Venkatachalam Chetti : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) why the Kistna Reservoir project which has been worked out by Colonel Ellis in 1912 is still kept in abeyance;

(b) whether the Government will be pleased to obtain the orders of the Secretary of State to put this project into execution at an early date;

(c) whether it is a fact that the India Government has proposed radical alterations in the estimates of this project by changing the reservoir-site to the Nevali Kalluchi spur lower down Amaravati for a reservoir of a much smaller capacity thereby confining the scope of the project to the improvement of the delta irrigation only, and abandoning altogether the upland irrigation under the project;

(d) if it is so, what is the view taken by the Madras Government in this matter;

(e) whether the Madras Government has pressed on the attention of the India Government the very great necessity that exists of extending irrigation to upland taluks in preference to the improvement of the delta irrigation;

(f) in view of the great necessity that exists of utilizing the waters of the Kistna river for further extension of irrigation in the upland taluks with a view to the prevention of famine, whether this Government will be pleased to press on the attention of the Government of India the taking up of the Daida project of Colonel Heid which would irrigate the country up to the Pennar river in the Nellore district;

(g) whether it is a fact that the Tungabhadra reservoir has been designed so as to supply water for second crop irrigation in the Kistna delta during the years in which the Bellary ryots do not require water for dry crop irrigation, their requirements for dry crop irrigation being only once in five or six years, i.e., when there is failure of rainfall;

(h) if this is so, whether the Government will point out to the Government of India that it is utterly unnecessary to construct a reservoir lower down Amaravati only for the purpose of improvement of delta irrigation; and

(i) what improvement has been effected in the Kistna Delta irrigation by the recent installation (in 1925) of 6 feet falling shutters on the Bezwada anicut?

A.—(a) & (c) to (f) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to question No. 328 put at the meeting of 27th August 1927.

(b) The answer is in the negative. The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to clause (f) of question No. 601.